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In re Patent Application of:
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For: MODULE AND UNIFIED NETWORK
BACKPLANE INTERFACE FOR LOCAL
NETWORKS

Examiner: E. Unelus

AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL ACTION UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.116

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Dear Sir:

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

This is in response to the final Office Action dated June 27, 2008 (Paper No./Mail Date 20080619-1), for which a response was due on September 27, 2008. This response is filed within two months of the issuance of the final Office Action and therefore qualifies for expedited review. Accordingly, this response is timely filed. Reconsideration and allowance of the pending claims, as amended, in light of the remarks presented herein are respectfully requested.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 9 of this paper.